



Convalescent Camp
U.S. Barracks N. O. Sept 11th/65

Dear Mother

We rec^d the
box you sent us a week a-
go to day the 4th everything
was all right I should have
written you before but as
there was no steamer to
leave here for New York
untill next Sunday I
would wait a few days
before I wrote.

We got the box on Friday
and the Regt- has orders
to march on Saturday
I was not able to go on

account of having sore feet
and ankles so the Dr
sent me to the convalescent
camp. Harrison has gone
with the regt where they have
gone we have not been able
to learn as yet. all we know
about it is they went down
the river with an expedition
aboard of transports

I wish I could have went with
them but my feet were so sore
to think of marching. this
is the first time that I have
been separated from the regt
since we left home

Harrison took one can of
the jelly and such things
as he could carry with him
and I brought the rest of
it to camp with me.
Harrisons took filled him

first rate since ~~there~~ ^{are} a
little to small I dont think
I can wear them I can sell
them for 6 or 7 dollars any time
I was in hopes they would fit
me for they are just what
I want. The shirts I would
not take a small farm for
they are so much better than
the army shirts this warm
weather. my needle book I would
not take a large farm for
it is the handiest piece of
furniture that a soldier can
carry if the Rebs get this one
they will have to take me with
it. We have a very good place
to stay here in the old U.S.
Barracks it is a very pleasant
place just at the lower edge
of the city. it makes me think

of a prison yard more than
any thing else for we ~~surrounding~~
~~the~~ surrounded by a large brick
wall about twenty feet high
we cant get out only once in
a great while by getting a pass
from the old Dr Duane Clark
is here with me so we manage
to pass away the time very well
You must make out a bill
of the ~~the~~ articles you sent on
the box and find out what it
cost you and if you dont
get your pay I dont know
who will be to blame

I dont see why I dont get some
mail I have not had a letter
from home or any where else in nearly
a month. Garrison got two the
day we got the box.

Well I cannot write any more
give my love to all
Direct the same as before

Yours Son

J. D. Brand